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DO YOU
KNOW
WHO
YOU'RE
TALKIN'
TO?

GIVE
ME
LES-
SONS?

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Ban and Ginji may be the perfect team, but competition is on the way with Emishi and Natsuki...though this new duo seems more concerned with cracking jokes than kicking butt. How will they react to an army of giant mantises? And what is Natsuki's terrifying ability? Meanwhile, Ban may have met his match in an old friend turned new enemy yet again.



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Story Thus Far:

Ginji Amano can amplify and control electromagnetic waves. Ban Mido has the power to create illusions in people's minds for one minute. Together they are the GetBackers, a retrieval agency whose motto is "We get back what shouldn't be gone." For the right price, they'll recover anything that's been taken.

After various run-ins with the Kiriudo, the eternal enemy of Shido and his Mariudo clan, things take a turn for the worse when Madoka is kidnapped. With no time to think, the GetBackers have no choice but to join Shido in a desperate rescue attempt. However, the enemy is fiercer than anticipated and Ban and Ginji find themselves going up against one of the Kiriudo faction, the Spiders. Ginji escapes danger with some quick thinking, but...



Himiko Kudo

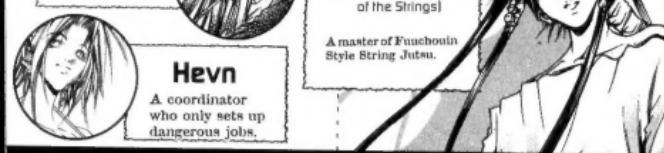
(Nickname: Lady Poison)

A witch who fights using poison perfumes.



Madoka Otowa

A talented blind violinist. Shido's lover.



Hevn

A coordinator who only sets up dangerous jobs.

Kiroudo

An aboriginal people like the Mariudo. They can control insects.

Jorogumo

Attribute: Tactician

Saicho

Mumyoin

Attribute: Monk

Semimaru

Kanade

Attribute: Water

Dokubechi

Attribute: Physician

Juuro

Kamata

Attribute: Assassin

Suiha

Koyanagi

Attribute: Water Wizard



Ginji Amano

(Nickname: The Lightning Lord)

Raised in Infinity Fortress, he's the former leader of the most powerful gang in Underground Shinjuku, the Volts. His power is the ability to emit high-voltage electricity. Height: 176 cm (5'9"), Weight: 62 kg (137 lbs.), Blood Type: O.

Ban Mido (Nickname: The Man with the Evil Eye)

Besides the fact that he's one quarter German, little is known about his origins. He has two special abilities: The Evil Eye, which allows him to show an opponent an illusion for one minute, and his Snakebite Grip, which can rip anything apart with its 200-kg-per-square-cm force. Height: 175 cm (5'8.5"), Weight: 58 kg (128 lbs.), Blood Type: B.

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Act X: The Eternal Bond Character Bios

The Mariudo

An aboriginal tribe that has the power to talk to and control animals.

Kaoru

Haruki

Attribute: Water

Ryuuji

Agi

Attribute: Fire

The Shiki Clan

The cream of the crop of the Mariudo.

Shido Fuyuki

(Nickname: Beastmaster)

The son of the leader of the Fuyuki tribe. He can gain animal abilities using a technique known as Beast Mimicry.

Headed by Shido, the GetBackers rush to rescue Natsuki who has been kidnapped by the Marauder's seven deadly. Hei Kurodo. Though he has lost most of his power by becoming the Lightning Lord, Grinji heads with Akabane and Hei to the enemy base in Hell Valley.

But Bain is already there with Kousaku searching for Hinata who has been abducted from right under their noses! Meanwhile, the Kurodo family is trying to rally their strength by the mysterious power of Kurodo Seimamura, one of the Kurodo's Seven Deadly.

The dying Grinji is saved by Kaoru Hanabi, one of the few surviving members of the Shido Clan. And now the final member, the one called the Grim Reaper...



NICE
TO
MEET
YOU.

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THERE'S
MEANING TO
ALL LIFE!

WHETHER
IT'S
HUMAN
OR
ANIMAL.

BUT YOU SHOULD
KNOW, I'LL
NEVER FORGIVE
KILLING WITHOUT
JUSTIFICATION.

IT'S
NOT
YOUR
FAULT.

EW
405-
888

I
KNOW
THAT.

A DEAD
ANIMAL
IS JUST
A PILE OF
DEADBODIES

SHOULDN'T
IT SERVE
THOSE WHO
ARE ALIVE?



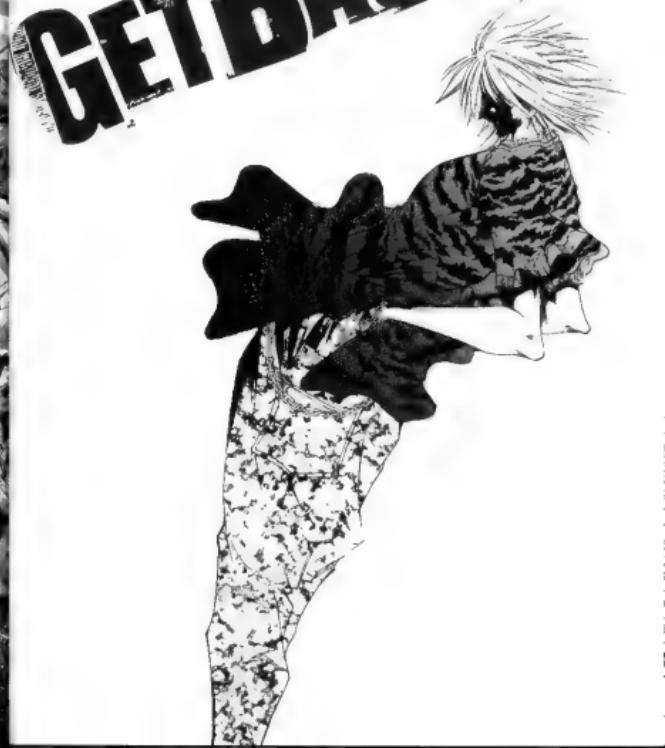


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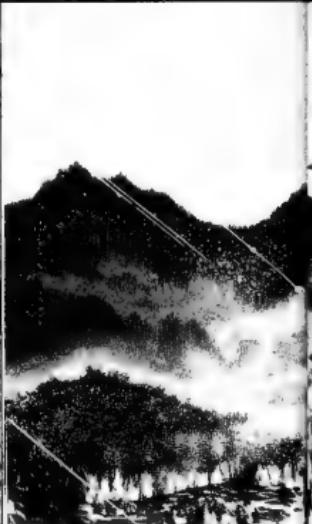
Part 21 I'd Jump Out!

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The GetBackers rush to Hell Valley to rescue Madoka, who has been kidnapped by the Kuruda, the Marudou's sworn enemy. But Hondo is kidnapped right under Ban's nose and G & M's helicopter crashes in the woods. And now the Shuu clan and old friends from Infinity Fortress have begun to assemble in Hell Valley.









...GRIM
REAPER!!















The GetBackers rush to Hell Valley to rescue Maddoka, who has been kidnapped by the Kirudo, the Monkeys' sworn enemy. But Himeko is kidnapped right under Ban's nose, and Ginko's helicopter crashes in the woods.

And now the Shiki Clan members, including Kaoru Hanabusa, who saved Ginko, have begun to assemble in Hell Valley.



Meanwhile, Ban, with Kyouji Kagami's help, begins a battle against the Beetle warriors, when who should suddenly appear but...



WHAT?

NO, UNFORTUNATELY FOR YOU, I DON'T



SO IF YOU TWO ARE AGAINST THEM...

I'VE DECIDED TO WORK WITH THE BEETLE TRIBE.

DAMN! SHE'S GOT A BUG IN HER EAR

THAT IDIOT GINKO!

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Part 22 - The End of the Evil Eye



...GIVE
ME ONE
EASY
DAY?!"

CAN'T YOU
BASTARDS...

IT WAS BAD
ENOUGH
WHEN SHE
WAS JUST
THEIR
HOSTAGE!

HE'S

COME,

BAN

DAMN'

VED,

MOS'AM

THEN
I'LL
FIGHT
YOU!

NOW
WHAT,
BAN-

KUN?

GO
EIGHT
TO
GEN-
SHI-
WABA

THAT
I'LL PROVE
MYSELF BY
DISPOSING
OF THESE
TWO





YUP!



...ARE
HARDLY
MORE
EVOLVED
IN THAT
RESPECT.



THIS
PROTECTOR
IS MADE
FROM THE
HARDEST
GEM

IT CAN
EASILY
STOP
YOUR
SNAKE
BITE.

NOT
JUST THE
ARMOR
ARE
YOU...?

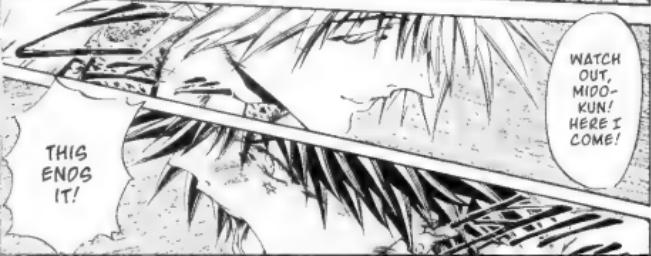
WHAT
THE HELL?
YOU'RE
A FOOL
CAN YOU
GET OUT
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF A
JOB AND
GITCH
GIDES?

NOT
EVEN
YOUR
ROTTEN
BONES
YAMATO
WOULD...

WAIT!
YOUR
ARMOR...

SILENCE!







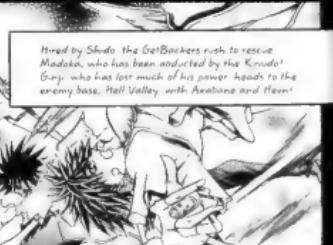
VERY
IMPRES-
SIVE.
BUT...

NOT
GOOD
ENOUGH.









Hired by Shido, the GetBackers rush to rescue Madoka, who has been abducted by the Kurodo Gang, who has lost much of his power heads to the enemy base, Hell Valley, with Akatsuki and Henn!



But meanwhile, Ban has lost his Evil Eye in a fight against Kyoushi Kagami and the traitorous Hinode.



And Ginyu and co. must face one of the Seven Chiefs, Semimaru Kanade

KUROUDO.

LONG
TIME NO
SEE...

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LOOKS
LIKE WE'VE
TAKEN
OUT THE
TRASH.

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Act 4: The Eternal Bond
Part 23: What Is Death?

STAND
BACK,
GINJI-
KUN.

ALL
RIGHT...

HE'S
LIKE A
GOD OF
DEATH.

THIS SHIKI
CLAN
MAKUBEX
TOLD ME
ABOUT MUST
BE PRETTY
POWERFUL.

SURE THINGS!

BUT

WE BETTER
BE CAREFUL
FROM NOW ON
THERE'LL BE
MORE AND MORE
THE FURTHER
WE GO

WELL,
WHATEVER IT
IS, THIS IS
GOING TO BE
ONE HECK
OF A BATTLE.

WHAT KIND
OF POWER
DO THE
OTHER TWO
POSSESS?

IT'S
NOTHING.

OH...

WHAT'S
WRONG,
EMIKA?

WE'LL BE IN
TROUBLE IF WE
DON'T MAKE IT
TO THE CENTER
BY NIGHTFALL.

LET'S
GO!

LOOKS
LIKE
THIS
ONE IS
MINE.





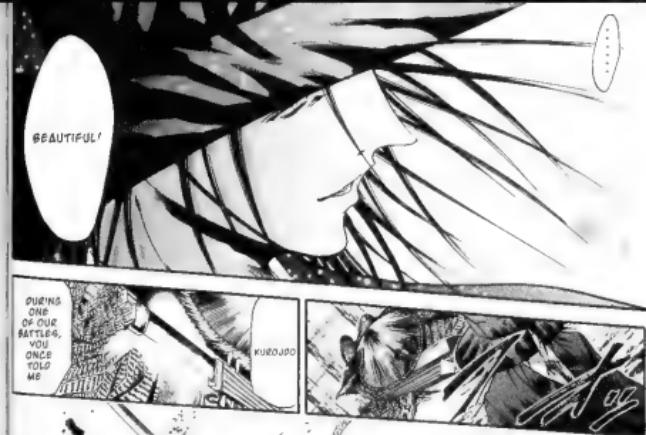
...HAS HE
FOUND
SOMETHING
ELSE?!

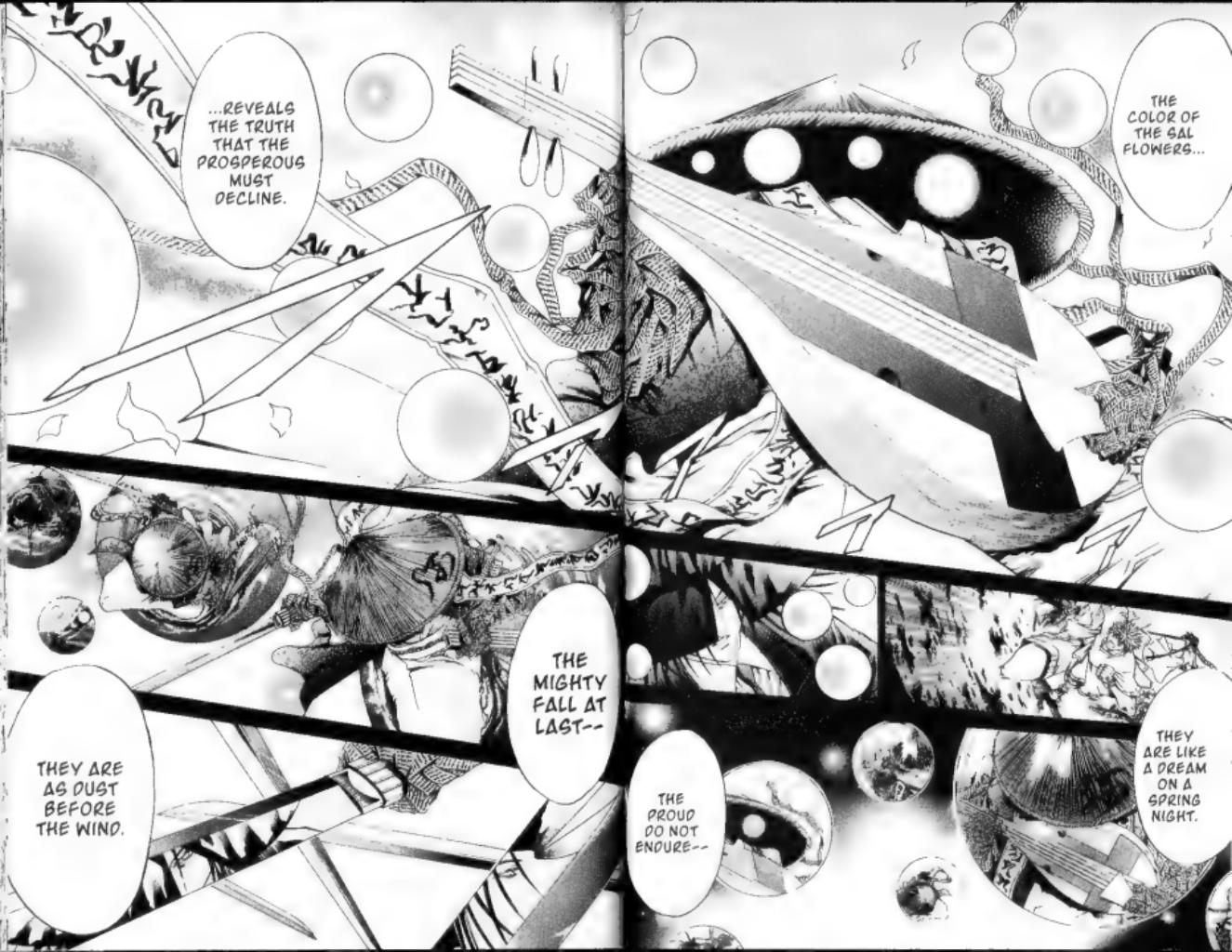
IN EXCHANGE
FOR THE
LOSS OF HIS
ELECTRICITY...

INcredible
HE'S NOT
JUST
READING
THEIR
MOVEMENTS!

HE'S EVEN
FACTORING IN
MY MOVEMENTS
AND JACKAL'S.
HE'S STAKING
ADVANTAGE OF
EVERYTHING
AROUND HIM TO
DETERMINE THE
BEST MOVE!







...REVEALS
THE TRUTH
THAT THE
PROSPEROUS
MUST
DECLINE.

THE
COLOR OF
THE SAL
FLOWERS...

THE
MIGHTY
FALL AT
LAST--

THEY ARE
AS DUST
BEFORE
THE WIND.

THE
PROUD
DO NOT
ENDURE--

THEY
ARE LIKE
A DREAM
ON A
SPRING
NIGHT.



...CHAPTER
ONE.

FROM
THE
TALE
OF THE
HEIKE...



AKABANE-
GAAAN!

THE
FORMER
FUGA
GUARDS
HAVE
ARRIVED!

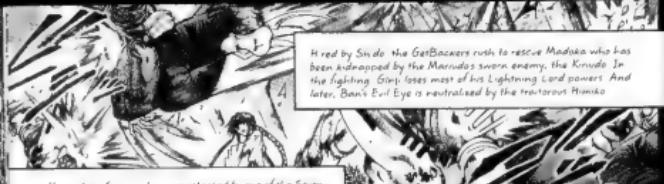
THAT'S
ENOUGH,
KIRIUDO!

COULD
IT
BE...?

FLYING
NEEDLES!?

REMOTE
OI
ATTACK?

NOW A
MURASAME
USER?



Meanwhile, Giny and co. are attacked by one of the Seven Chiefs, Semimaru Kanade.¹¹ Having wounded Akane with an attack from behind, Semimaru goes in for the kill when



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Part 24 Perfect Harmony

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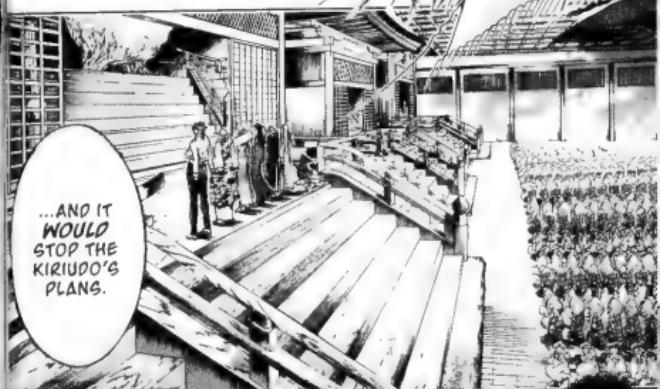
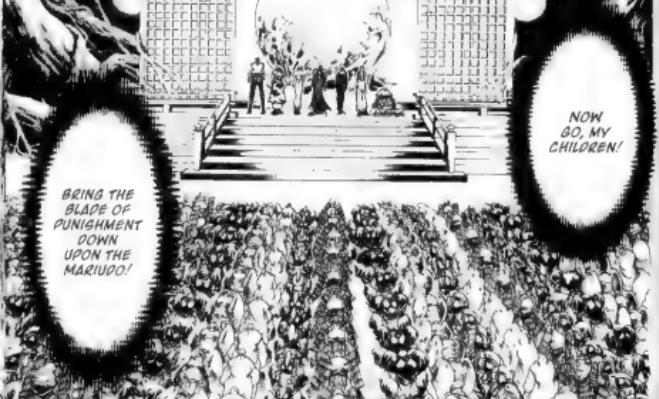
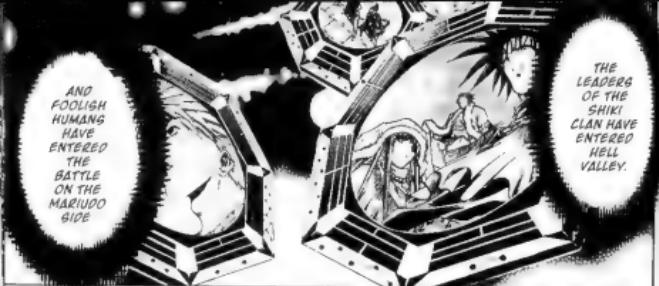








FOR THE FIRST TIME IN AGES, I'VE FOUND SOMETHING THAT'S JUST TOO EXCITING TO PASS UP.





GIVE
YOURSELVES
UP THAT
I MAY BE
REBORN!

RELEASE
YOUR
TRUE
FORMS
AND
PREPARE
FOR
BATTLE!

Hired by Shido, the GetBackers rush to rescue Madoka, who has been abducted by the Kirudo! But Ban loses his Evil Eye in an attack by Kyoushi Kagami and the traitorous Himiko! Meanwhile, Juuberi and Uryu join the party and rescue Ginyo and co.

THEIR
ADAPTABILITY
IS MUCH MORE
DRAMATIC
THAN OUR
EVOLUTION
FROM APE
TO MAN.

IT'S THEIR
TRANSFORMING
ABILITY,
ALLOWING
THEM TO
CONSTANTLY
ADAPT, THAT
MAKES THEM
SPECIAL.

INOCOTS
ARE
CREATURES
THAT HUMANS
THINK
WERE
THROWN
OUT
FOR
MILLIONS
OF YEARS.
LONER
THAN
HUMANS
HAVE EVEN
EXISTS.

THEN THERE'S
THE END OF
METAMORPHOSIS
SAKURA?

IF THE
EVOLUTION
IS
EXTINCTION,
CAN THE
KIRUDO
DO THAT
AS WELL,
MAKUBEY?

INOCOTS
CAN ALSO
BE BORN
TO HUMANS
WITHIN
THEIR OWN
LIVES.

NEVER
CHANGED?

THE
ARCHIVE
CONTAINS
WITNESSES
ABOUT THE
HISTORY
OF THE
KIRUDO

EXCEPT
WHAT'S THIS?

THERE
ARE MANY
MYSTERIES
SURROUNDING
THE HISTORY
BETWEEN THE
KIRUDO AND
HUMANS.

THE
NAME
OF
THEIR
LEADER.

THERE'S
CONSTANT
IN KIRUDO
HISTORY—
THE ONLY
THING THAT'S
THAT'S NEVER
CHANGED

AT THIS
POINT,
AFTER
HUNDREDS
OF YEARS,
THERE'S
PROBABLY
NOBODY
WHO KNOWS
WHY IT
BEGAN

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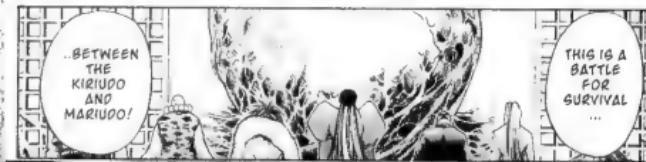
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Part 25: Life Is Tenacity

ACCORDING
TO THE
ARCHIVE,
IT'S BEEN
CONSISTENT
FOR
HUNDREDS
OF YEARS.

THEIR
KING HAS
ALWAYS
BEEN
NAMED
KABUTO.

GLORY
TO THE
KIRIUDO!



Awwwww...



If
they
don't
eat you
first

You can
make good
money
by selling
dog berries

Yeah

Must be
a ton
of bugs
here

Or
potato
bugs--
gross!

It's
true

It's
true

I hope
we don't
find any
gross bugs

GOOD
QUESTION,
EMI-YAN.

I'M
GETTING
TIRED
OUT
HOW LONG
HAVE WE
BEEN
WANDERING
AROUND,
AMO-YAN?

A
TRILO-
BITE?
NO WAY

NUR-UH,
I HAD
ONE ON
MY BELLY
ONCE

Heart

THOSE ARE
EXTINCT!

STOMACH
TRILOBITES

OH, DE
PINNOCHEM,
ZOURNOHMS,
OR
TRILOBITES!!

Heart

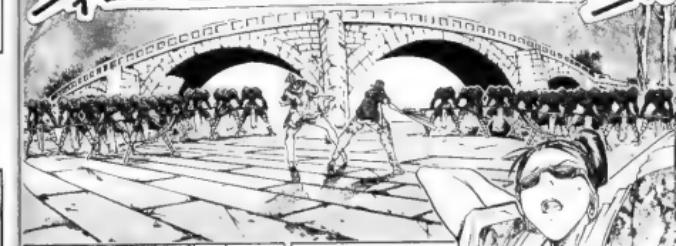
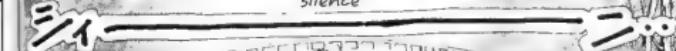
NARAY ADOR
LEAFYNESS DE
DEARNOHNS DE
DE-CASE DE

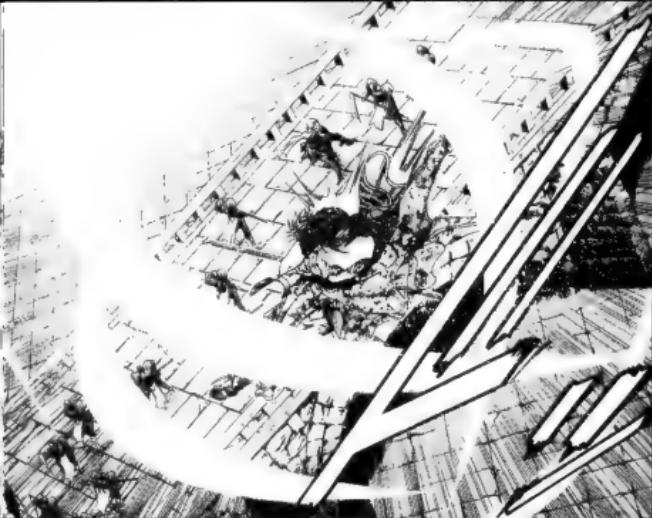
CABRION
BEETLES
WHY DID
WAIT 'TIL
AFTER
YOU'RE
DEAD TO
EAT YOU

EMI-
YAN?

YOU DON'T
KNOW
ABOUT
STOMACH
TRILOBITES,
AMO-YAN?

WHEN WE
ACHIEVE
VICTORY,
WE SHALL
CREATE A
KINGDOM
TO LAST A
THOUSAND
YEARS!



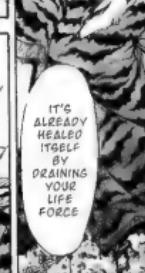




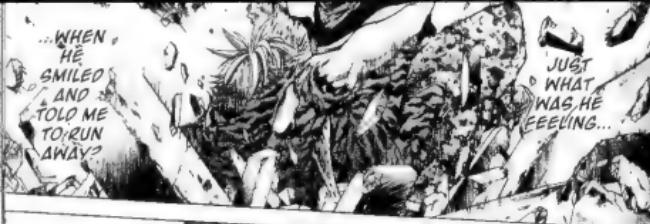
DO YOU GET IT YET?



AMON



AMON







Hired by Shido, the GetBackers rush to rescue Madoka, who has been abducted by the Kurodo! Goro and co. are saved thanks to the timely arrival of Jubei and Toshiro, but Ban loses his Evil Eye in an attack by Kagami and the traitorous Hinako!

Meanwhile, Amon Natsuki is pushed to the brink in his battle with Kurodo Chief Juuro Kamata, when Emishi unleashes his Rouman Dancing Whip!

WE'RE
IN THIS
TOGETHER
ALL THE
WAY TO
HELL,
RIGHT?

WHERE
WOULD
I GO
WITHOUT
MY
PARTNER?

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Part 26: Emishi's Strongest Asset

VERY
WELL,
THEN.

HEH.

YOU

ARE

YOU

CAN

MEET

ME,

KAMATA

YOU

DO

HAVE

A

DEATH

WICH

DIE,
FOOL!

I'D
LIKE
TO
SEE
YOU
TRY

YOU'LL
BE
SUCCED
DRY!

STOP,
EMISHI!
YOUR
LIFE
FORCE IS
ALREADY
LOW

AND
JUURO
KAMATA'S
SICKLE
WORKS
JUST
WITH MY
ABILITY!



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...JUURO
KAMATA.

NOBODY
CAN
DEFY THE
WHEEL
OF
FATE...









TO
RETRIEVE
MADOKA
OTOWA!

AND
THAT'S TO
GET BACK
WHAT
WAS
TAKEN--

THIS
IS A
COUP.

EVEN IF
IT COSTS
US OUR
LIVES,
KABUTO'S
HEAD
MUST
FALL.

WE
ONLY
HAVE
ONE
GOAL.

DO
WHAT-
EVER
YOU
WANT
WE
DON'T
CARE.

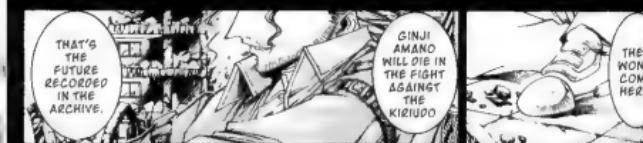
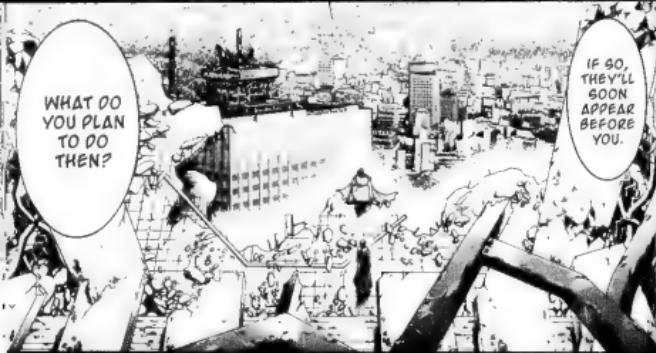
Hired by Shudo, the GetBackers rush to rescue Madoka, who has been kidnapped by the Mariudo's sworn enemy, the Kirudo Ban enters Kirudo territory by using his Evil Eye to trick the enemy. Meanwhile, Emishi and Amane, who have defeated one of the Seven Chiefs--and the weakened Ginyi head toward Hell Valley via different paths.

And now...the battle is finally near.



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GETBACKERS

...MASAKI
KURUSU, OF
THE VOLTS'
FOUR
EMPERORS.

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IT WOULD
HAVE BEEN
THE FITTING
FINAL DUTY
OF HIS
COMRADE
IN ARMS...



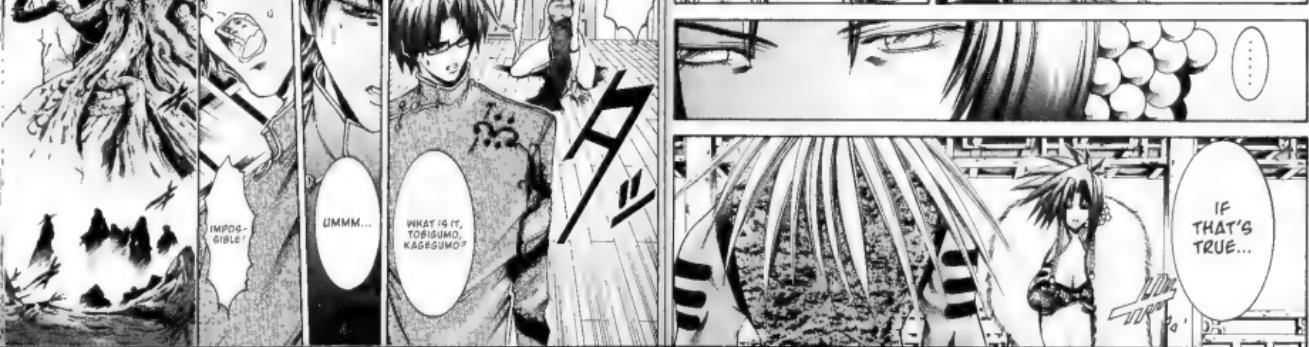
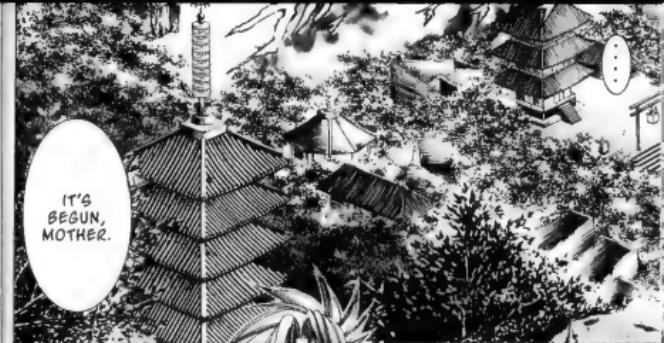






THE GETBACKERS!







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By using his Evil Eye, Ban is able to enter Kiriudo territory with Himiko and the others.

But Goro and co. face off against an army of Kiriudo members who have become bugs!

WIPE OUT BY
ONLY SIX?

FOUR HUNDRED
KIRIUDO
WARRIORS

BACH
HAS THE
STRENGTH
...

...OF A
THOU-
SAND.

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Part 28 Why We Fight!

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NOT LIKE KAZU-CHAN'S GROUP.





IF YOU
STRIVE
TO STAND
SO THAT
ANOTHER
MAY
LIVE...

HOLD
STILL
IF YOU
WANT
TO
LIVE.

WHO
IS--?

DON'T
MOVE!

...THEN
IT IS
NOT YET
YOUR
TIME TO
DIE.

SHIDO!

OPEN
YOUR
HEART
AND
LISTEN
TO THE
LAND

IT
SHOULD
BE
POSSIBLE
FOR
YOU









HIS
NAME IS
AMON
NATSUMI.

To be continued in Volume 23

ALL
RIGHT,
I'LL
TELL
YOU.

THEY
CALL
HIM THE
GRIM
REAPER.

I'LL TELL
YOU
EVERYTHING
I KNOW.

AND I'LL
SAY THIS
FIRST:
I'M NOT
HOLDING
THE KEY
TO THE
BATTLE.

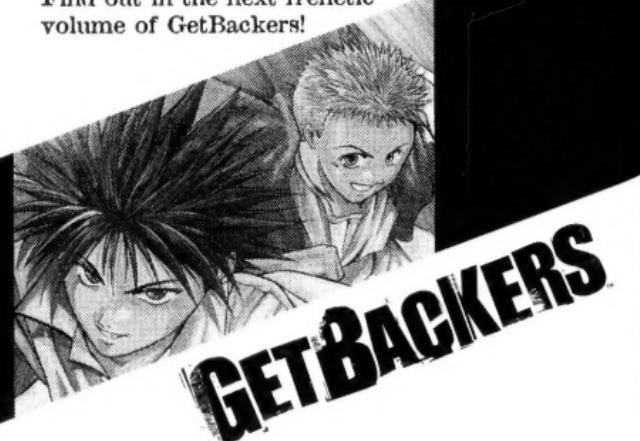
THAT
WOULD
BE THE
LAST
SHIKI
MEMBER.

In the next electrifying volume of

GETBACKERS

With the Shiki members nearly assembled and the GetBackers knocking on the door of the Kiriudo base, the curtain on the final battle is beginning to raise. But before that can happen, some characters need to settle the score with their longtime rivals. Akabane had trouble with Semimaru in their last battle but both still haven't revealed their true powers until now! And standing in Ban's way is Dokubachi, who has revenge on his mind. And how is Ginji going to survive when he still hasn't regained his Lightning Lord powers?!

Find out in the next frenetic volume of GetBackers!



スタッフ紹介

大西 貴志

TAKASHI ŌNISHI

嶋田 悅子

ETSUKO SHIMADA

杜島 渉

WATARU MORISHIMA

KIKYO

SPECIAL THANKS

岡部 美也 MIYA OKABE

竹貫麻奈美 MANAMI TAKENUKI

米林 异輝 SHŌKI YONEBAYASHI

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Once again it's the "I'm so sorry" section!

Thank you so much for buying volume 22! I'm putting the final touches on it as I write this! So close to being done...

Thank you so much for all the fan letters and fan art! They give me strength when I'm feeling weak.

I watch the anime every week. Currently they're running original episodes so I get to watch them as a mere fan. I have been enjoying it so much! Thanks to everybody who's been working so hard on them!

Kanna-san, Marikubo-san, I'm so sorry for not going on the radio. I was really looking forward to it, but I had other matters I needed to attend to. I'm deeply sorry.

Shō-kun, how ya doing? I'm doing! Dynamic Taro-sensei, Mechazawa-kun is great!

I'd like to thank Studio DEEN, Nakajima-san, keep it up! Do whatever you want. It's so beautiful.

Sister, Mother, Father, sorry, sorry for always making you worry about me! Boss, don't be afraid. I won't eat you...

Thank you for sending me fan letters that point out so many mistakes. Unfortunately, I often forget to fix them. Keep them coming though!

To the GetBackers, thanks for always putting up with me! And good luck getting your own series. Hurry up and give me some competition!

I'd like to send out a huge thanks to anyone who will ever look at this book. I'm doing the best I can to not fall asleep before my deadline passes. My editor, Akai-san, I'm sorry! I'll get better!

3/13